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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	
Plaintiff,)	
v.)	Case No. 4:05CR536 RWS
CHARLES JONES,)	
JASON KYLE,)	
THOMAS KYLE, and)	
DALE ZEPP,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

ORDER

This matter is before me on Jason Kyle's objection to the Magistrate Judge's recommendation that Kyle's Motion to Sever be denied.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b) Jason Kyle's Motion to Sever was referred to United States Magistrate Judge Thomas C. Mummert.

The defendants, including Jason Kyle, are charged in a 16-count indictment which alleges that they were involved in a scheme to defraud.

I have conducted a <u>de novo</u> review of the record filed by the parties. I adopt the thorough and thoughtful reasoning of Magistrate Judge Mummert.

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Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that defendant's Motion to Sever is denied.

RODNEY Ŵ. SIPPEL

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated this 26th day of January, 2006.